

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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EFFECT OF TERRORISM ON TOURISM INDUSTRY OF J & K

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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the vital tourism industry of Jammu and Kashmir has been severely affected and is on the verge of collapse due to terrorist activities;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to improve tourism situation in the State?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a): Tourism industry in Jammu & Kashmir has been adversely affected due to terrorist activities.

(b) & (c): The Department of Tourism continues to extend financial assistance for projects of Jammu & Kashmir. Forty-three projects with Central financial component of Rs.1212.56 lakhs have been sanctioned in Jammu & Kashmir during the 1st four years of the Ninth Plan. However, revival of tourism industry depends largely on return of normalcy in the State.